

Chapter 1.6

Authority and resources

1. Applicability of this chapter

You are required to follow this chapter if you are a line manager at any level.

2. Description of Sub-element 1.6

JSC shall provide adequate authority and resources for a successful safety and health program. This includes:

- a. Assigning the necessary authority to those with safety and health responsibilities. Responsibilities shall be clearly communicated and supported with training, and all shifts covered.
- b. Providing adequate resources to those who have safety and health responsibilities. This includes resources such as:
 1. Time
 2. Training
 3. Personnel
 4. Equipment
 5. Budget
 6. Access to information and experts
 7. Appropriate use of experts such as Certified Safety Professionals, Certified Industrial Hygienists, licensed health care professionals and other experts as needed based on the risks at JSC

3. Authority

Safety and health responsibilities mentioned in paragraph 1.5.2.e (Chapter 1.5) shall include the necessary authority to carry them out.

4. Funding for safety and health resources

JSC shall provide adequate funding for its safety and health program, and review safety and health budgets yearly. The following requirements apply:

- a. Line organizations shall have funding to:
 1. Eliminate or control hazards in the workplace.
 2. Provide required or desired personal protective equipment and other safety or health equipment.

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3. Provide safety and health training unique to their mission and not available through the Safety Learning Center.
4. Provide other safety and health resources as needed.
- b. The Safety and Mission Assurance Directorate, Space Life Sciences Directorate (Clinic Services Branch), and Center Operations Directorate (Emergency Operations Office) shall request funding for:
 1. Adequate safety, health, and emergency response personnel to oversee JSC's safety and health program.
 2. Safety and health training at the Safety Learning Center.
 3. Safety, health, and emergency response equipment for such things as sampling work areas, analyzing samples, and fighting fires.
 4. Promotional items for safety and health awareness and motivation.
 5. Technical information such as books, standards, periodicals, and publications.
 6. Occupational health activities such as monitoring noise or radiation levels.
 7. Contracts for safety and health tasks.

5. Responsibilities

Responsibilities for authority and resources are as follows:

- a. **Organizational directors** are responsible for evaluating their needs for safety and health resources at least yearly and for requesting the necessary funds as described in sub-paragraph 4.a above.
- b. The **Safety and Mission Assurance Directorate**, **Space Life Sciences Directorate** (Clinic Services Branch), and **Center Operations Directorate** (Emergency Operations Office) shall assess their needs for resources at least yearly and request the necessary funds as described in sub-paragraph 4.b above.

6. Safety and health records

These are center-level financial records showing safety items. The Office of the Chief Financial Officer keeps general financial records, and the Center Operations Directorate keeps records of safety modifications or repairs.